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AMENDMENT AND REPLY		Attorney Docket	YAMA-008
Address to: Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		First Named Inventor	Thomas T. Yamashita
		Application Number	09/695,531
		Confirmation Number	3483
		Filing Date	October 23, 2000
		Group Art Unit	3643
		Examiner Name	Gellner, Jeffrey L.
		Title	<i>Microbial-Blend Compositions And Methods For Their Use</i>

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before October 13, 2004. In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.